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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: ANZAKI, Toshiaki, et al.
Appl. No.: New Group:
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For: ARTICLE COATED WITH ZIRCONIUM
COMPOUND FILM, METHOD FOR PREPARING
THE ARTICLE AND SPUTTERING TARGET
FOR USE IN COATING WITH THE FILM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

Amendment to the Specification

Remarks